

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )

Georges Marcel Victor Thielen )

For: TIRE WITH COMPONENT OF )

RUBBER COMPOSITION COMPRISED OF )

SILICA REINFORCEMENT AND )

EMULSION POLYMERIZATION DERIVED )

TERPOLYMER RUBBER OF DIENE/VINYL )

AROMATIC COMPOUND WHICH )

CONTAINS PENDANT HYDROXYL )

GROUPS )

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Final Official Action dated March 14, 2006, please  
make the following amendments in order to more particularly point out and distinctly claim  
the Applicant's invention.